Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864
Origin of Gov- ernment: Right to change.	DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.	THE DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.	THE DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.
	We, the People of the State of Maryland, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberty, and taking into our serious consideration the best means of establishing a good Constitution of this State for the sure foundation and more permanent security thereof, declare:	We, the People of the State of Maryland, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberty, and taking into our serious consideration the best means of establishing a good Constitution in this State for the sure foundation and more permanent security thereof, declare:	to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberty, and taking into our serious consideration the best means of establishing a good Constitution in this State for the sure foundation and
	Article 1. That all Government of right originates from the People, is founded in compact only, and instituted solely for the good of the whole; and they have, at all times, the inalienable right to alter, reform or abolish their Form of Government, in such manner as they may deem expedient.	Article 1. That all Government of right originates from the People, is founded in compact only, and instituted solely for the good of the whole; and they have, at all times, the inalienable right to alter, reform or abolish their Form of Government, in such manner as they may deem expedient.	Art. 2. That all government of right originates from the people, is founded in compact only, and instituted solely for the good of the whole; and they have at all times, the unalienable right to alter, reform, or abolish their form of government, in such manner as they may deem expedient.
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Constitution of United States: Supreme Law of Land.	Art. 2. The Constitution of the United States, and the Laws made, or which shall be made, in pursuance thereof, and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, are, and shall be the Supreme Law of the State; and the Judges of this State, and all the People of this State,	Art. 2. The Constitution of the United States, and the Laws made, or which shall be made, in pursuance thereof, and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, are, and shall be the Supreme Law of the State; and the Judges of this State, and all the People of this State,	and is not bound by any law or ordinance of this

are, and shall be bound are, and shall be bound subversion thereof.

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## 1776

## Amendments to 1776 Constitution

## THE DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.

We, the People of the State of Maryland, grateful Britain, by a declaratory to Almighty God for our act, having assumed a right civil and religious liberty, to make laws to bind the and taking into our serious colonies in all cases whatconsideration the best means soever, and in pursuance of of establishing a good Con-such claim endeavored by stitution in this State, for force of arms to subjugate the sure foundation and the United Colonies to an more permanent security unconditional submission to thereof, declare:

ernment of right originates independent states, and to from the people, is founded assume government under in compact only, and instituted solely for the good of therefore, We, the delegates the whole; and they have at of Maryland, in free and all times, according to the full Convention assembled, mode prescribed in this taking into our most serious Constitution, the unalienable right to alter, reform, of establishing a good conor abolish their form of Government, in such manner as they may deem expedient.

## THE DECLARATION OF RIGHTS.

Constitution of

The parliament of Greattheir will and power, and having at length constrained Article 1. That all gov- them to declare themselves the authority of the people, consideration the best means stitution in this state, for the sure foundation, and more permanent security thereof, declare,

1. That all government of right originates from the people, is founded in compact only, and instituted solely for the good of the whole.

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